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The Foreign Agricultural Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture today reported the following developments in world agriculture and trade.

U.S. AGRICULTURAL TRADE

U.S. agricultural exports for February totaled 13.6 million tons valued at \$3.2 billion. This compares to exports of 10.2 million tons valued at \$2.2 billion for February 1987. This February's export value was at the highest monthly level since December 1985.

Cumulative U.S. agricultural exports for fiscal 1988 (October-February) totaled 62.6 million tons valued at \$14.5 billion. This was up 10.4 million tons and \$2.4 billion from the same period a year ago and represented a 20-percent increase in both value and volume over last fiscal year.

The export increase for agricultural products was broad-based in both product mix and country coverage. Major commodities experiencing increases were wheat, up \$543 million; cotton, up \$462 million; soybeans, up \$432 million; corn, up \$341 million; horticultural products, up \$256 million; livestock products, up \$256 million; and vegetable oils, up \$158 million.

The export markets with the largest increases included the Soviet Union, up \$758 million; Japan, up \$482 million; South Korea, up \$268 million; the European Community, up \$176 million; and China, up \$119 million.

Agricultural imports for February totaled \$1.92 billion, up \$179 million (10 percent) from February 1987 and \$118 million (7 percent) from January 1988. With data now available for the first five months of fiscal 1988, cumulative agricultural imports exceeded last year's level by \$287 million, or 3 percent. The cumulative trade surplus was \$5.55 billion, compared to \$3.42 billion for the same period last year.

U.S. Agricultural Trade
(Billion Dollars)

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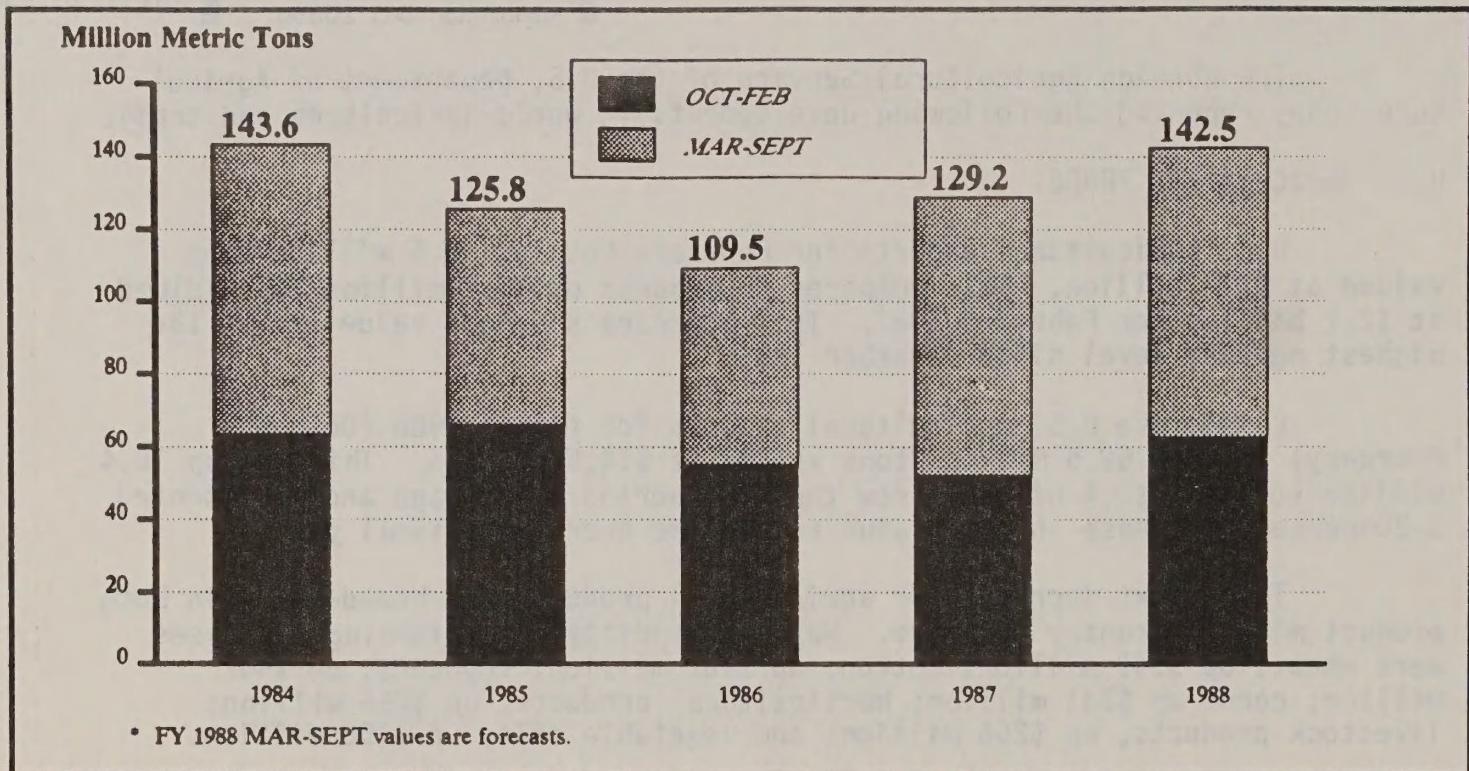
	-----Fiscal year-----			-----Oct-Feb-----		
	1987 actual	1988 forecast	Percent change	1987 actual	1988 actual	Percent change
Exports	27.87	32.5	+17	12.08	14.49	+20
Imports	20.64	20.5	-1	8.66	8.94	+3
Trade balance	7.22	12.0	---	3.42	5.55	---

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FY 1988 EXPORT VOLUME FORECAST AT 142.5 MMT HIGHEST VOLUME LEVEL IN 4 YEARS



February export volume of 13.6 MMT was at the highest level since December 1984. This exceeds last February's export volume by 3.4 MMT, or 33 percent, and January's figure by 800,000 tons, or 6 percent. The largest year-to-year percentage gains in volume were in vegetable oils, up 273%; tree nuts, +183%; pulses, +117%; soybeans, +117%; wheat, +111%; wines and malt beverages, +58%; processed fruits, +46%; cotton, +41%; animal fats, +36%; shell eggs, +33%; and corn, +25%.

Cumulative to-date volume totals are running 20 percent ahead of last year's level. Fiscal 1988's year to-date total of 62.6 MMT compares with 52.2 MMT for the same period last year and 55.0 MMT for fiscal 1986. The gains are basically concentrated in the same commodities as listed above. In terms of tonnage, the largest increases have been in wheat, feed grains, and soybeans.

Three countries have accounted for approximately 90 percent of volume increases thus far this year. They are, in order of

importance, the Soviet Union, up 6.8 MMT, with major gains in wheat, corn, soybeans, and soybean meal imports; the PRC, +1.5 MMT, with gains mainly in wheat; and Japan, +1.0 MMT, with increases most concentrated in corn, pulses, vegetable oils, and horticultural products.

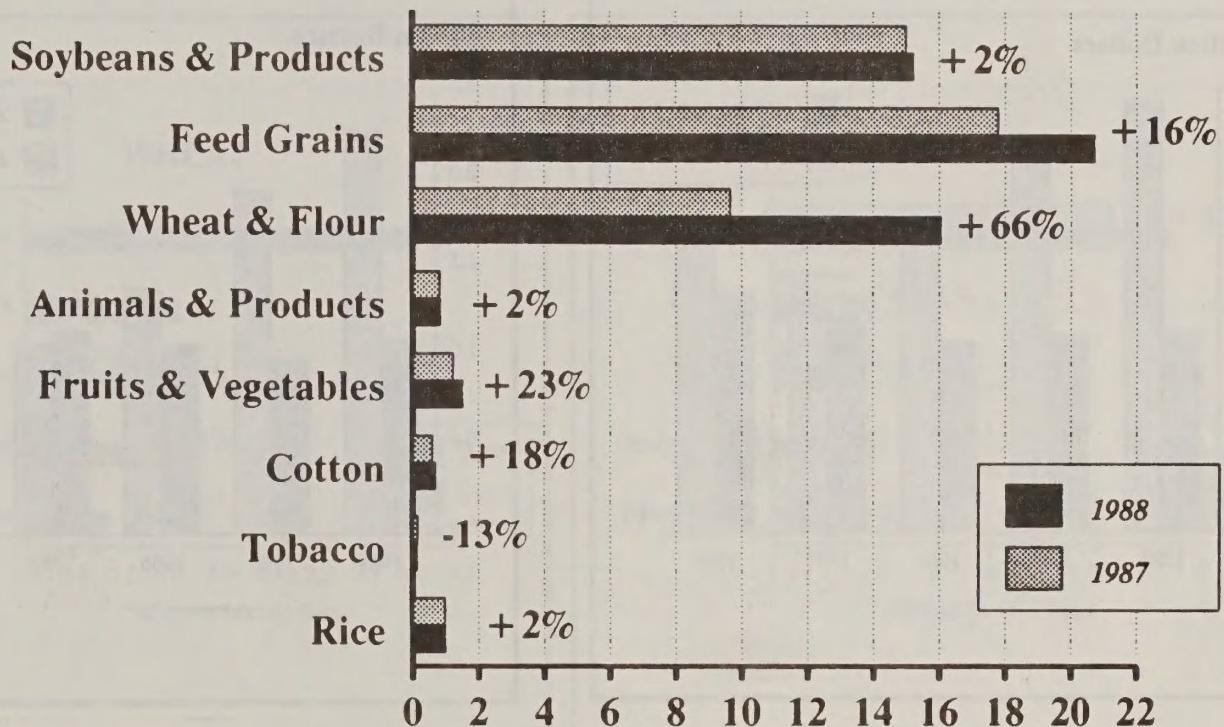
Several factors can be cited as contributors to this upward trend in U.S. agricultural exports. They include --

- Declining exchange rates for the U.S. dollar relative to many major trading partners and competitors.
- Tighter world supplies in some commodities such as wheat and vegetable oils.
- Drought-reduced production for several major agricultural producers.
- Successful promotion of U.S. agricultural exports through the Export Enhancement Program (EEP) and the Targeted Export Assistance (TEA) program.

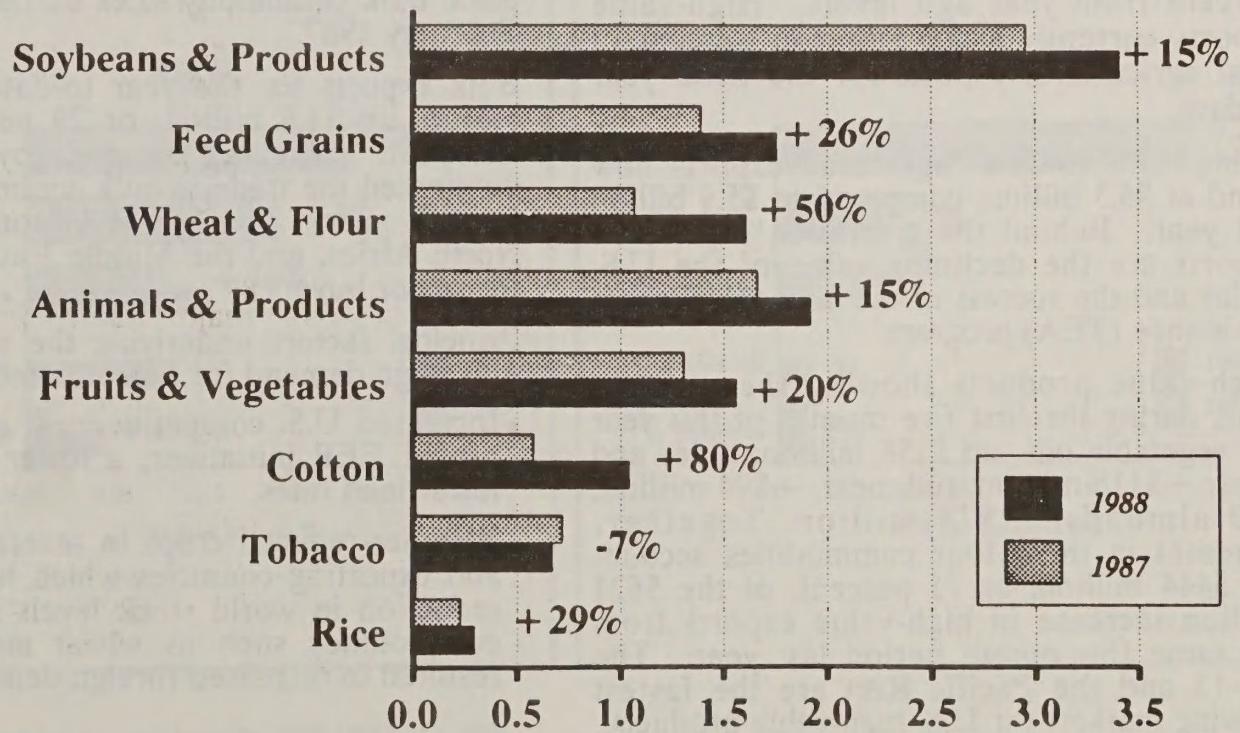
U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS BY COMMODITY

OCTOBER - FEBRUARY

VOLUME (MILLION METRIC TONS)



VALUE (BILLION DOLLARS)

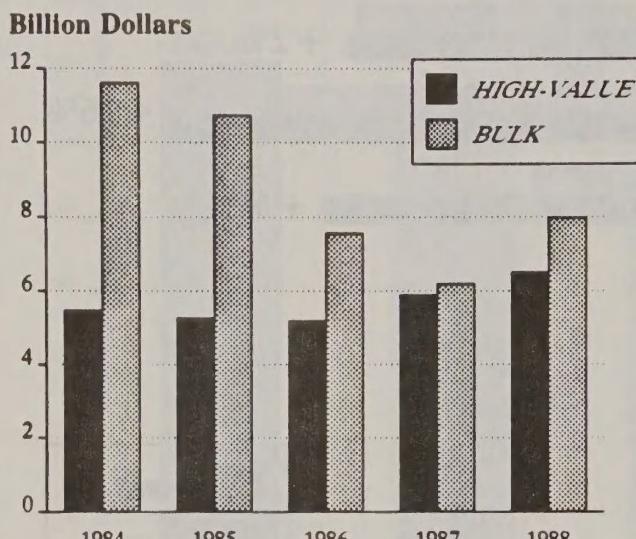


Percentages are computed as the change from FY 1987 To FY 1988.

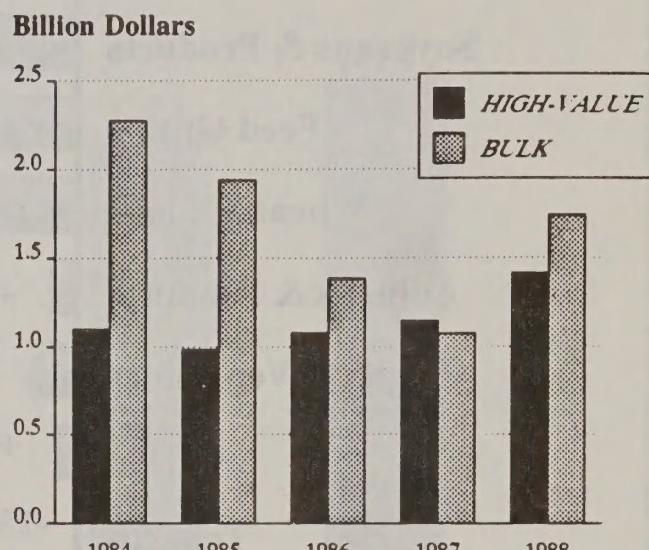
FEBRUARY BULK COMMODITY EXPORTS UP 62%

STRONG WHEAT SALES LEAD THE WAY

OCTOBER - FEBRUARY



FEBRUARY



U.S. exports of high-value agricultural products continue to be in hot demand with February sales of \$1.4 billion, up 23 percent from year ago levels. High-value exports currently account for 45 percent of total agricultural exports for the fiscal year to-date.

Cumulative to-date high-value exports now stand at \$6.5 billion, compared to \$5.9 billion last year. Behind the growth in high value exports are the declining value of the U.S. dollar and the success of the Targeted Export Assistance (TEA) program.

High-value products showing the greatest gains during the first five months of this year are vegetable oils, up \$158 million; hides and skins, + \$118 million; red meat, + \$94 million; and almonds, + \$74 million. Together, increases in these four commodities account for \$444 million, or 71 percent, of the \$621 million increase in high-value exports from the same five month period last year. The EC-12 and the Pacific Rim are the fastest growing markets for U.S. high-value products.

Export performance in bulk commodities is even more impressive than the gains posted in high-value products. February's export figures place bulk commodity sales 62 percent above February 1987.

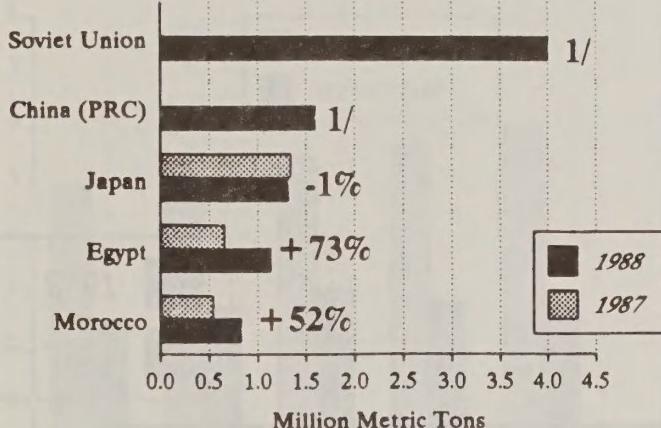
Bulk exports for the year to-date total \$8.0 billion, up \$1.8 billion, or 29 percent, from last year. Wheat, corn, and soybeans have dominated the trade in bulk commodities thus far this year. The Soviet Union, the PRC, North Africa, and the Middle East have been the major buyers.

Principal factors underlying the recent surge in foreign demand for bulk commodities are --

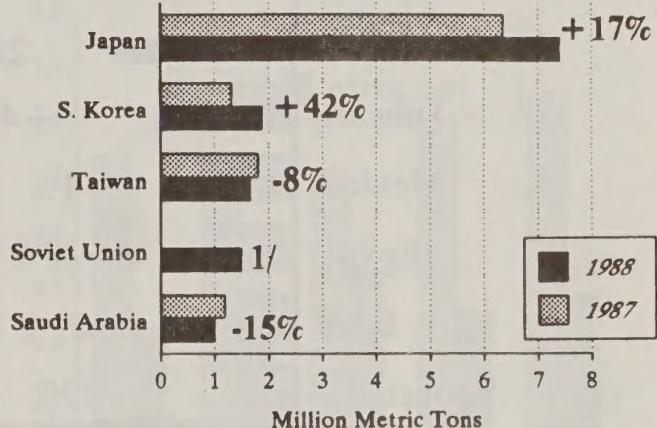
- Increased U.S. competitiveness aided by the use of EEP initiatives, a lower dollar, and lower loan rates.
- Weather-reduced crops in several importing and exporting countries which has caused a reduction in world stock levels in key food commodities such as wheat and rice and resulted in increased foreign demand.

TOP FIVE MARKETS FOR U.S. EXPORTS BY VOLUME OCTOBER - FEBRUARY

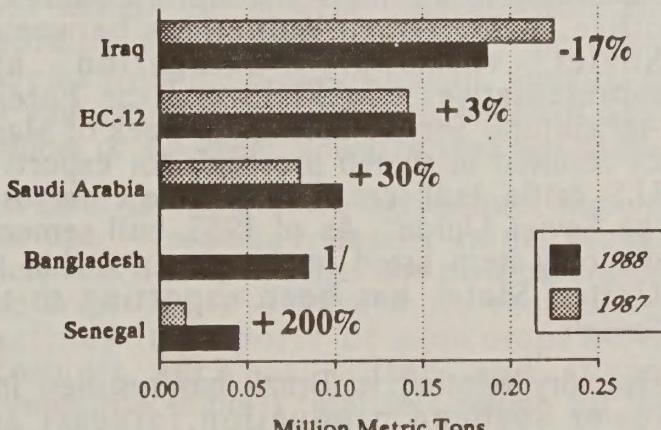
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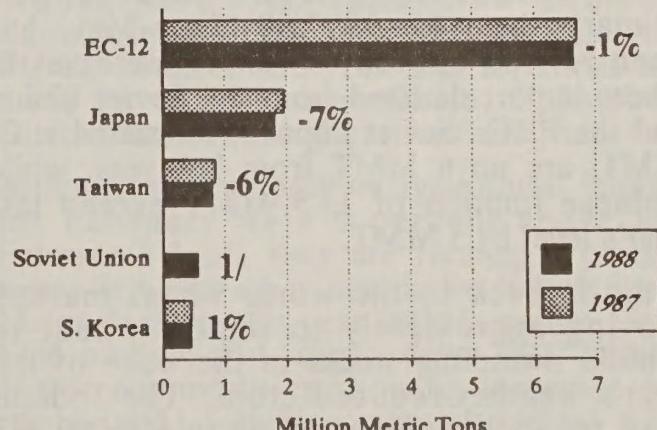
COARSE GRAINS



RICE



SOYBEANS

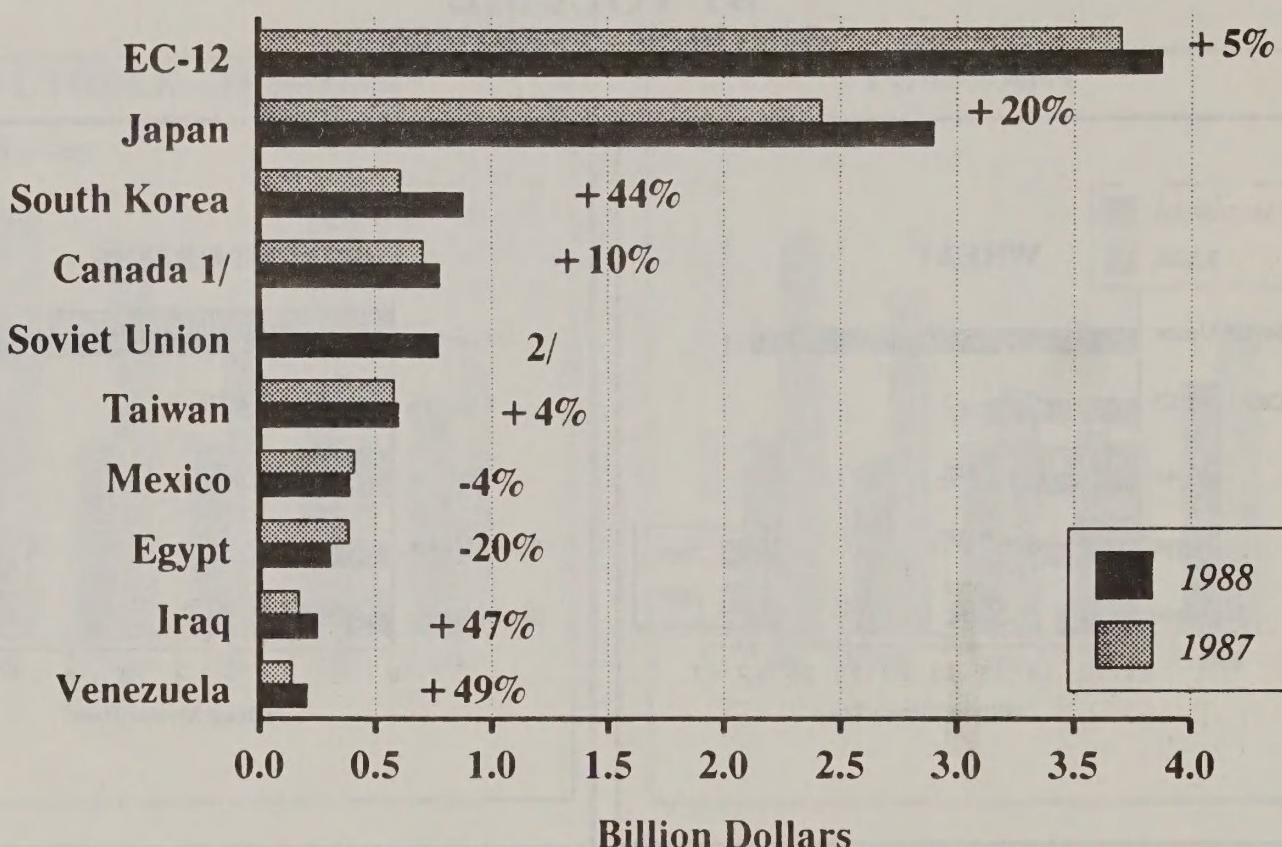


Percentages are computed as the change from FY 1987 To FY 1988.

1/ No exports reported during comparable period last year.

TOP 10 MARKETS FOR U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS

OCTOBER - FEBRUARY



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1/ U.S. agricultural exports to Canada are under-reported by about one \$1 billion a year and officially recognized as such by both governments.

2/ No exports reported during comparable period last year.

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN AGRICULTURAL TRADE

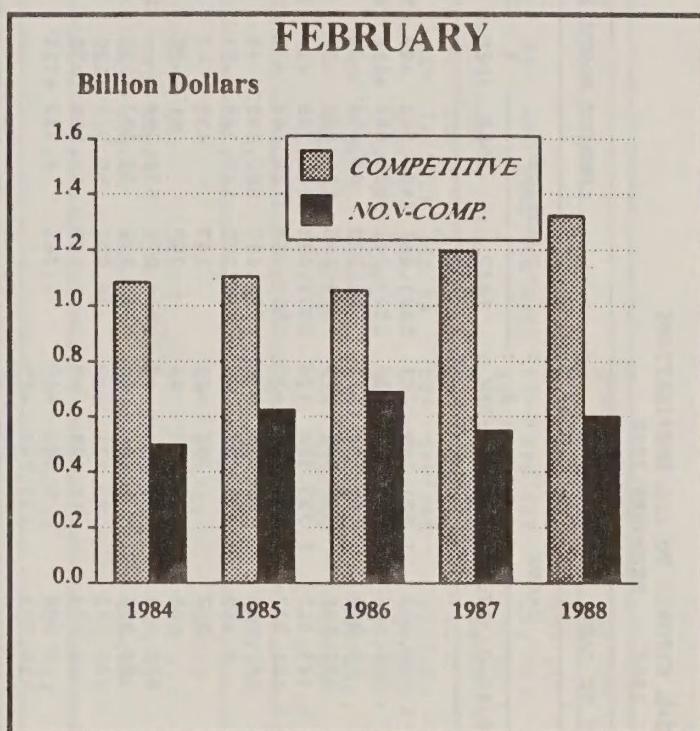
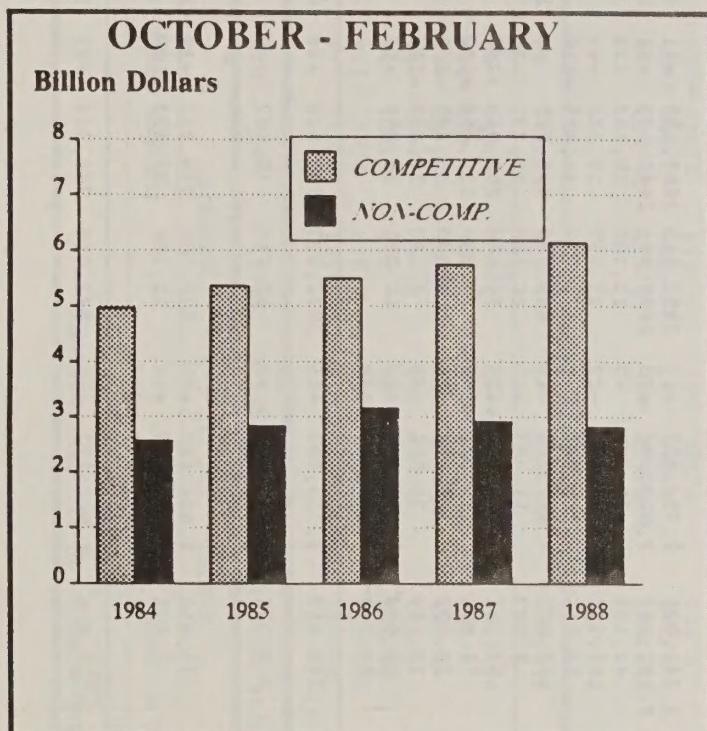
The world wheat trade forecast for marketing year 1987/88 (June-May) has been revised upward to reflect increases in wheat import demand from the Soviet Union and the PRC. Soviet imports, estimated at 22 MMT, are up 6 MMT from last year, while Chinese imports of 13.5 MMT exceed last year's level by 5 MMT.

India is back in the world wheat market, moving aggressively to import wheat to rebuild dwindling stocks in the wake of last year's weather-reduced crop. The Indians have reportedly purchased up to 800,000 MT of Canadian wheat for delivery through calendar year 1988. In addition, the United States has announced the availability of 1.2 MMT of wheat under EEP, of which 375,000 tons has already been tendered. The balance that can be bought under the offer is expected to be purchased for delivery during the summer and fall.

According to the Agricultural Counselor's office in Moscow, negotiations between a Soviet veterinary delegation and representatives of APHIS and the Foreign Agricultural Service during the week of March 21 resulted in signed protocols for exports of U.S. cattle, bull semen, and cattle embryos to the Soviet Union. As of 1987, bull semen is the only item listed in the protocol that the United States has been exporting to the Soviets.

Hot, dry weather in Brazil has resulted in a lower soybean production forecast and brighter market prospects for U.S. soybean exports. Brazil is a major U.S. competitor in the world soybean and meal trade. The Brazilian soybean production forecast was lowered 500,000 MT to 18 MMT from the March 1988 estimate, and the U.S. soybean export forecast was raised 700,000 MT to 21.4 MMT.

FEBRUARY COMPETITIVE IMPORTS RISE 11% FEEDER CATTLE IMPORTS ACCOUNT FOR 38 PERCENT OF THE INCREASE



February's agricultural imports totaled \$1.9 billion, which is the highest monthly import figure since January 1986. This represents a \$179 million (10 percent) increase from last February and a \$118 million (7 percent) increase from the previous month. Imports so far this year total \$8.9 billion, which is \$287 million, or 3 percent, ahead of year ago levels.

Increases in competitive agricultural imports this year -- especially feeder cattle, orange juice, beef and veal, wines and malt beverages, and fresh fruits -- have more than offset declines in imports of noncompetitive products such as coffee and sugar. Competitive imports total \$6.1 billion for the first five months of the fiscal year, a gain of 7 percent from the same period last year.

Countries reaping the greatest benefits from the surge in competitive imports are Mexico and Canada for feeder cattle; Brazil for orange juice; Australia, New Zealand, Canada, and Brazil for beef and veal; the EC-12, Mexico, and Australia for wines and malt beverages; and Chile, Colombia, Guatemala, and Honduras for fresh fruits.

Although noncompetitive agricultural imports for February were 9 percent above last February's level, they are running 4 percent below last year on a cumulative to-date basis. Major declines this year include coffee, down \$336 million; and sugar, down \$102 million. Major commodities showing increases are cocoa, up \$116 million; natural rubber, +\$85 million; spices, +\$11 million; and bananas and plantains, +\$10 million.

(1) Noncompetitive imports are those which do not compete with U.S. production and include: bananas and plantains, coffee (incl. processed), cocoa (incl. processed), rubber and allied gums, spices, and tea.

U. S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS TO ALL DESTINATIONS
OCTOBER 1986 - FEBRUARY 1988

COMMODITIES	UNIT:	CUMULATIVE TO DATE			CURRENT MONTH (FEBRUARY)		
		QUANTITY	%	VALUE	QUANTITY	%	VALUE
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GRAINS AND FEEDS							
WHEAT & WHEAT FLOUR	MT	9577,725	15999,036	+67	1,055,605	1,591,189	+51
WHEAT	MT	8997,440	15498,679	+72	986,606	1,529,589	+55
WHEAT FLOUR	MT	580,285	500,357	-14	68,999	61,600	-11
RICE	MT	983,995	1000,485	+2	227,346	293,964	+29
COARSE GRAINS	MT	17713,223	20616,689	+16	1,365,817	1,727,366	+26
CORN	MT	14037,498	16880,881	+20	1,081,727	1,422,794	+32
GRAIN SORGHUM	MT	2278,436	2287,446	---	167,885	185,914	+11
BARLEY	MT	1386,571	1444,211	+4	114,860	118,196	+3
OATS	MT	4,046	3,380	-16	717	386	-46
RYE	MT	6,672	771	-88	628	76	-88
FEEDS & FODDERS 1/	MT	4151,209	4523,495	+9	623,550	634,671	+2
PULSES	MT	323,944	250,732	-23	164,956	105,48	-36
BEANS, DRIED	MT	268,952	185,262	-31	142,982	85,921	-40
PEAS, DRIED	MT	38,233	51,043	+34	12,274	13,423	+9
LENTILS, ETC., DRI.	MT	16,759	14,427	-14	9,700	6,140	-37
OTHER	XXX:				119,792	135,945	+13
TOTAL	XXX:	32,928,096	42,386,286	+29	3,557,065	4,488,617	+26
OILSEEDS & PRODUCTS							
TOTAL OILSEEDS	MT	11782,841	1242,135	+11	2,348,025	2,754,113	+17
SOYBEANS	MT	11450,358	12156,926	+6	2,192,680	2,625,154	+20
SUNFLOWER SEED	MT	151,096	122,312	-19	41,188	38,379	-7
PEANUTS	MT	123,820	101,281	-18	101,221	78,696	-22
OTHER OILSEEDS	MT	57,567	39,616	-31	12,936	11,884	-8
SOYBEAN MEAL	MT	3397,695	2761,672	-19	683,577	617,806	-10
OTHER MEAL	MT	66,297	79,914	+21	9,902	11,087	+12
TOTAL VEG. OILS	MT	305,707	649,894	+113	154,551	313,124	+126
SOYBEAN OIL	MT	141,883	308,383	+117	58,855	138,520	+135
SUNFLOWER OIL	MT	52,009	160,777	+209	22,492	69,352	+208
COTTONSEED OIL	MT	35,089	65,215	+86	18,184	30,056	+65
OTHER VEG. OILS	MT	76,726	115,519	+51	55,020	75,196	+37
OTHER	XXX:				44,362	63,762	+44
TOTAL	XXX:	15,552,540	15,911,615	+2	3,240,417	3,759,892	+16
SEEDS	MT	155,719	139,487	-10	219,321	238,050	+9
COTTON & LINTERS							
RAW COTTON 2/	STB:	2652,553	3105,703	+17	575,950	1,036,662	+80
LINTERS 2/	STB:	44,699	70,870	+59	3,891	5,606	+44
SILK	STB:	60	644	+981	75	244	+227
TOTAL	STB:	2697,312	3177,217	+18	579,916	1,042,512	+80

**U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS TO ALL DESTINATIONS
OCTOBER 1986 - FEBRUARY 1988**

CURRENT MONTH (FEBRUARY)									
CUMULATIVE TO DATE									
COMMODITIES	UNIT	QUANTITY	VALUE		QUANTITY		QUANTITY		VALUE
				%		%		%	%
TOBACCO UNMFG.									
BURLEY.....	MT :	14,485	11,949	-18	79,193	68,703	-13	4,175	4,346 +4
FLUE-CURED.....	MT :	89,392	83,285	-7	556,907	520,515	-7	4,280	9,841 +130
FIRE-SUN CURED.....	MT :	5,495	3,024	-45	24,912	13,371	-46	513	167 -68
MARYLAND.....	MT :	458	671	+47	2,671	4,187	+57	42	8 -81
CIGAR.....	MT :	377	554	+47	9,596	15,188	+58	63	79 +25
OTHER LEAF.....	MT :	793	923	+16	6,783	7,330	+8	97	239 +146
STEMS.....	MT :	23,562	16,471	-30	38,354	38,840	+1	2,408	2,554 +6
TOTAL.....	MT :	134,562	116,876	-13	718,416	668,133	-7	11,578	17,234 +49
POULTRY PRODUCTS									
MEAT.....									
BROILER.....	MT :	122,494	133,228	+9	134,957	134,569	—	19,197	21,922 +14
TURKEY.....	MT :	6,170	10,346	+68	7,792	9,886	+27	741	2,260 +205
OTHER POULTRY MEAT:	MT :	2,456	2,928	+19	2,713	3,558	+31	437	1,393 +219
DOZ.....	DOZ :	11,331	36,287	+220	16,433	30,183	+84	2,315	7,899 +241
EGG. PRODUCTS.....	MT :	7,990	7,591	-5	16,857	15,889	-6	1,321	1,670 +26
OTHER PRODUCTS.....	XXX:				55,437	53,518	-3		
TOTAL.....	XXX:				234,188	247,603	+6		
DAIRY PRODUCTS									
NON-FAT DRY MILK.....	MT :	130,535	92,859	-29	82,465	67,901	-18	16,564	10,212 -38
CHEESE.....	MT :	5,896	9,109	+55	11,649	16,466	+41	803	1,708 +113
BUTTER.....	MT :	4,379	3,114	-29	6,306	3,528	-44	1,776	18 -99
OTHER....	XXX:				82,099	88,722	+8		
TOTAL.....	XXX:				182,519	176,618	-3		
LIVESTOCK & PRODS.									
MEAT.....									
BEEF.....	MT :	225,229	207,205	-8	502,479	584,135	+16	33,726	35,351 +5
PORK.....	MT :	103,576	90,479	-13	313,063	367,613	+17	12,431	13,621 +10
VARIETY.....	MT :	12,728	18,547	+46	39,311	72,959	+86	1,600	2,115 +32
TALLOW.....	MT :	108,925	98,179	-10	150,105	143,563	-4	19,695	19,615 —
LARD.....	MT :	471,981	495,063	+5	149,227	178,445	+20	84,939	118,381 +39
LIVE CATTLE.....	NO :	19,200	20,276	+6	9,330	9,651	+3	4,315	3,487 -19
CATTLE HIDES.....	NO :	54,365	58,312	+7	41,966	46,188	+10	8,776	6,369 -27
FURSKINS.....	NO :	7784,229	6799,568	-13	490,717	586,384	+19	3000,798	2063,043 -31
OTHER....	XXX:				154,082	129,944	-16		
TOTAL.....	XXX:				315,602	384,534	+22		

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HORTICULTURAL PROD.							
TREE NUTS.....	MT :	97,850	147,813	+51	311,316	407,081	+31
FRUIT.....	MT :	363,447	384,897	+6	542,787	611,087	+13
FRESH, CITRUS.....	MT :	221,539	304,404	+37	191,783	207,734	+8
FRESH, NON-CITRUS.....	MT :	27,023	34,619	+28	164,191	183,561	+12
CANNED.....	MT :	63,682	71,452	+12	28,016	36,615	+31
DRIED.....	MT :	40,839	39,733	-3	94,454	111,327	+18
JUICES.....	GAL:	214,966	296,496	+38	64,343	71,850	+12
VEGETABLES, FRESH.....	MT :	157,834	193,570	+23	99,659	130,067	+31
VEG., PREP., PRES.....	MT :				137,330	160,179	+17
OTHER.....	XXX:				214,267	252,561	+18
TOTAL.....	XXX:				1,305,359	1,560,976	+20
SUGAR & TROP. PRODS.							
SUGAR & SWEETENERS.....	XXX:				82,502	79,480	-4
COFFEE.....	MT :	5,337	5,784	+8	38,664	35,127	-9
FLAVORING SYRUPS.....	XXX:				89,532	81,468	-9
OTHER.....	XXX:				169,862	195,292	+15
TOTAL.....	XXX:				380,560	391,366	+3
GRAND TOTAL.....	XXX:					79,581	75,576
						220,598	287,930
						+31	+42

NOTE: VALUE UNITS ARE IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS. GALLON UNITS ARE IN THOUSANDS OF UNITS. DOZEN UNITS ARE IN THOUSANDS OF UNITS.

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1/ INCLUDES BY-PRODUCTS.
2/ STATISTICAL BALE = 480 LBS.

SOURCE: U.S. CENSUS DATA (UNADJUSTED).

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U.S. AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS FROM ALL SOURCES
OCTOBER 1986 - FEBRUARY 1988

COMMODITIES		CUMULATIVE TO DATE		CURRENT MONTH (FEBRUARY)	
UNIT:	QUANTITY	%	VALUE	%	VALUE
:	:10/86-02/87:10/87-02/88:DIF :10/86-02/87:10/87-02/88:DIF :				
GRAINS AND FEEDS					
WHEAT & PRODUCTS	MT : 322,818	252,883	-22	209,077	211,392
BARLEY & MALT.	MT : 62,457	153,365	+146	8,073	14,669
OTH COARSE GRAINS 1/	MT : 286,525	392,074	+37	26,028	41,950
PULSES	MT : 14,760	19,297	+31	8,122	8,374
OTHER	XXX:			152,164	155,013
TOTAL	XXX:			403,464	431,398
OILSEEDS & PRODUCTS				+7	
OILSEEDS	MT : 34,799	69,488	+100	16,573	25,374
COCONUT OIL	MT : 206,837	226,795	+10	51,916	100,795
PALM OIL	MT : 121,178	87,363	-28	28,727	28,760
OTHER VEG. OILS	MT : 174,001	213,027	+22	91,616	138,813
OTHER	MT : 105,302	126,512	+20	27,314	36,739
TOTAL	MT : 642,118	723,185	+13	216,146	330,480
SEEDS	MT : 33,864	32,786	-3	63,678	59,663
COTTON, LINTERS, SILK.	MT : 14,723	16,888	+15	6,031	7,056
TOBACCO UNMFG.				+17	
CIGARETTE LEAF	MT : 74,868	66,901	-11	242,583	209,494
CIGAR LEAF	MT : 1,622	3,805	+135	5,882	12,937
SCRAP & STEMS	MT : 14,536	11,367	-22	15,568	11,989
TOTAL	MT : 91,025	82,073	-10	264,033	234,420
POULTRY PRODUCTS				-11	
FEATHERS & DOWN	MT : 3,636	4,155	+14	23,630	28,922
POULTRY MEAT	MT : 1,884	1,625	-14	7,338	6,382
EGGS & PRODUCTS	XXX:			6,471	5,966
OTHER	XXX:			4,131	3,421
TOTAL	XXX:			41,570	44,692

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OCTOBER 1986 - FEBRUARY 1988

COMMODITIES		CUMULATIVE TO DATE			CURRENT MONTH (FEBRUARY)		
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DAIRY PRODUCTS							
CHEESE, QUOTA.....	MT : 47,581	44,151	-7	139,992	133,964	-4	
CHEESE, NON-QUOTA....	MT : 11,184	12,004	+7	42,990	48,659	+13	
CASEIN.....	MT : 45,177	45,659	+1	89,554	117,813	+32	
OTHER.....	XXX:			8,862	9,777	+10	
TOTAL.....	XXX:			281,399	310,213	+10	
LIVESTOCK & PRODS.							
WOOL.....	MT : 18,953	22,156	+17	71,674	131,040	+83	
MEAT.....	MT : 494,792	507,245	+3	1,072,172	1,134,396	+6	
BEEF AND VEAL.....	MT : 285,333	292,624	+3	554,981	636,483	+15	
PORK.....	MT : 192,112	193,786	+1	477,669	448,363	-6	
OTHER (EDIBLE).....	MT : 17,347	20,835	+20	39,522	49,550	+25	
LIVE CATTLE.....	NO :			252,767	337,609	+34	
OTHER LIVESTOCK.....	NO :			251,119	89,639	-41	
HIDES & SKINS.....	XXX:			26,434	53,322	+43	
FURSKINS.....	XXX:			101,125	65,110	-36	
OTHER.....	XXX:			79,562	91,537	+15	
TOTAL.....	XXX:			1,693,373	1,850,769	+9	
HORTICULTURAL PROD.							
FRUIT.....	MT : 1616,544	1681,959	+4	1,006,148	1,098,424	+9	
FRESH.....	MT : 204,294	193,406	-5	498,799	559,192	+12	
PREP. & PRES.....	MT : LIT:	183,944		187,465	47,937	+2	
JUICES.....	1622,299	1340,861	-17	323,405	351,767	+9	
VEGETABLES, FR/FZ..	MT : 826,438	882,528	+7	336,763	367,446	+9	
VEG. , PREP. , PRES.	MT : 212,416	217,603	+2	186,389	188,395	+1	
TREE NUTS.....	XXX:			170,951	163,702	-4	
WINE.....	LIT: 169,841	145,302	-14	457,342	470,617	+3	
OTHER ALCOHOLIC BEV.	LIT: 408,813	458,102	+12	312,058	370,469	+19	
NURSERY PRODUCTS.....	XXX:			155,939	172,874	+11	
OTHER.....	XXX:			162,021	178,961	+10	
TOTAL.....	XXX:						
				2,787,611	3,010,889	+8	

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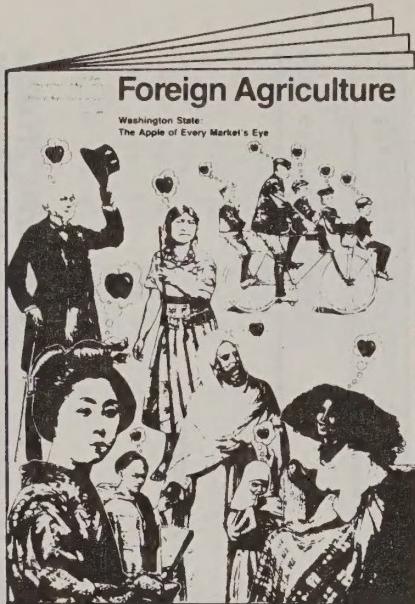
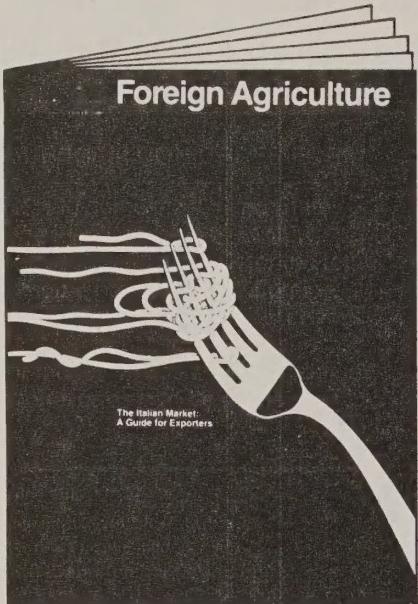
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				%	%	
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SUGAR & TROP. PRODS.						
SUGAR, RAW & REFINED: MT	727,666	437,362	-40	243,283	141,464	-42
SWEETENERS.....: MT	400,522	318,281	-21	105,357	91,352	-13
COCOA & PRODUCTS....: MT	217,271	274,348	+26	479,788	596,365	+24
COFFEE.....: MT	428,046	484,569	+13	1,470,445	1,133,898	-23
ESSENTIAL OILS.....: MT	4,473	4,992	+12	47,021	52,133	+11
TEA.....: MT	34,143	31,656	-7	50,761	41,330	-19
SPICES.....: MT	67,284	62,388	-7	136,662	147,599	+8
FIBERS.....: MT	22,406	24,986	+12	13,120	14,010	+7
RUBBER & ALLIED GUMS: MT	344,743	358,497	+4	287,041	372,220	+30
OTHER.....: XXX:						
TOTAL.....: XXX:						
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